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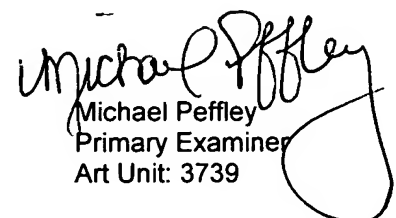
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The reply brief filed June 16, 2006 has been entered and considered. The application has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for decision on the appeal.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Michael Peffley whose telephone number is (571) 272-4770. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Fri from 6am-3pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Linda Dvorak can be reached on (571) 272-4764. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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Dear Sir:

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This Brief is in reply to the Examiner's Answer dated April 13, 2006. Appellant agrees with the statements made in item numbers (1)-(8) of the Examiner's Answer, and respond to the statements made in item numbers (9) and (10) of the Examiner's Answer as follows:

Appellant respectfully disagrees with the Examiner's reasoning for sustaining the rejection of claims 23-27, 29, 33-39, 44, 48, 49, and 70-81 as being obvious in view of the combination of Cosman, and to the extent that Morris is combined with Cosman, disagrees with the Examiner's reasoning for sustaining the rejection of the remaining claims 28 and 40-43.